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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q77448

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Appln. No.: 10/699,645

Group Art Unit: 1774

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Examiner: EDWARDS, Newton O.

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For:

FINE CARBON FIBER, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME AND ELECTRICALLY CONDUCTING MATERIAL COMPRISING THE FINE CARBON

FIBER

PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 and MPEP § 711.03(c)(I)

MAIL STOP PETITION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned, on behalf of applicants, in accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 and MPEP §711.03(c)(I), hereby petitions the Commissioner requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment of the above identified application. The application was abandoned for allegedly not responding to the Restriction and/or Election Requirement (Paper No. 2), mailed May 13, 2004.

However, a Response to Restriction Requirement was, in fact, timely filed on June 14, 2004 (June 13, 2004 being a Sunday).

Submitted herewith are the following documents:

1. Copy of the Response to Restriction Requirement filed June 14, 2004.

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2. Copy of a date stamped filing receipt acknowledging filed Response of June 14,

2004.

3. Copy of the Notice of Abandonment mailed November 22, 2004.

the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office to match document 1 with the correct file.

Applicants note that the enclosed documents 1 and 2 contain an incorrect Serial Application No. The remaining identifying information on documents 1 and 2, including the name of the inventors, the title and filing date, were correct and should have been sufficient for

In view of the above it is respectfully submitted that the application should not have been abandoned and the Commissioner is petitioned to withdraw the holding of abandonment.

It is believed that no fee is due. However, the USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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